

Steam Reviews Prediction

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import seaborn as sns
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
from sklearn.metrics import classification_report, precision_score, recall_score, confusi
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from sklearn.feature_extraction import text
from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
from sklearn.dummy import DummyClassifier
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
```

Business Understanding

The objective of the notebook is to be able to predict whether or not a game will be recommended based off the review. By analyzing reviews, the model identifies key words and phrases that lead to positive or negative recommendations. This can help game developers and marketers understand what aspects of a game are most appreciated by users when creating a sequel or a game in a specific genre.

Data Understanding

The data we will be looking at is a dataset acquired from Kaggle containing Steam reviews from 2017 and before.

https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/andrewmvd/steam-reviews

The data will be downloaded and placed in the following path: ../data/dataset.csv . It should be about a 2.6gb file when unzipped.

Now the data will be loaded as df

```
In [2]: df = pd.read_csv('../data/dataset.csv')
```

Sneak peek of the data

```
In [3]:
          df.head()
Out[3]:
             app_id
                         app_name
                                                                      review_text review_score review_votes
          0
                  10 Counter-Strike
                                                                    Ruined my life.
                                                                                                               0
                  10 Counter-Strike This will be more of a "my experience with th...
                                                                                                1
                                                                                                               1
                  10 Counter-Strike
                                                      This game saved my virginity.
          3
                  10 Counter-Strike • Do you like original games? • Do you like ga...
                                                                                                               0
                  10 Counter-Strike
                                                      Easy to learn, hard to master.
In [4]:
          df.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 6417106 entries, 0 to 6417105
Data columns (total 5 columns):
 #
    Column
                  Dtype
    app_id
                  int64
 0
    app_name
 1
                  object
    review_text
                  object
    review_score int64
   review_votes int64
dtypes: int64(3), object(2)
memory usage: 244.8+ MB
```

We can see that the data has over 6 million rows with the following structure:

- 1. app_id
 - Game ID
- 2. app_name
 - Game Name
- 3. review_text
 - Review Content
- 4. review_score
 - 1 for recommended, -1 for not recommended
- 5. review votes
 - number of votes for how helpful the review was

The rows that will be relevant for training the model will be review_score and review_votes as we just need the content of the review and whether or not it was a positive review.

Data Preparation

We are going to drop NA and duplicate rows.

```
In [5]:
         df.dropna(inplace=True)
         df.drop_duplicates(inplace=True)
         df.info()
       <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
       Index: 4483850 entries, 0 to 6417105
       Data columns (total 5 columns):
           Column
       #
                         Dtype
        0
                          int64
          app_id
       1 app_name
                          object
           review_text
                          object
           review_score int64
          review_votes int64
       dtypes: int64(3), object(2)
       memory usage: 205.3+ MB
In [6]:
         df.reset_index(drop=True, inplace=True)
```

In [7]:	df

Out[7]:	t[7]: app_id		app_name	review_text	review_score	review_votes
	0	10	Counter- Strike	Ruined my life.	1	0
	1	10	Counter- Strike	This will be more of a ''my experience with th	1	1

0	1	This game saved my virginity.	Counter- Strike	10	2
0	1	• Do you like original games? • Do you like ga	Counter- Strike	10	3
1	1	Easy to learn, hard to master.	Counter- Strike	10	4
					•••
0	-1	I really ove this game but it needs somethings	Puzzle Pirates	99910	4483845
0	-1	Used to play Puzzel Pirates 'way back when', b	Puzzle Pirates	99910	4483846
0	-1	This game was aright, though a bit annoying. W	Puzzle Pirates	99910	4483847
0	-1	I had a nice review to recommend this game, bu	Puzzle Pirates	99910	4483848
0	-1	The puzzles in this game are fun, but you have	Puzzle Pirates	99910	4483849

4483850 rows × 5 columns

Grabbing just the review_text and review_score into its own dataframe because thats the only information we are concerned with when training this model.

```
In [8]: data = df[['review_text', 'review_score']]
```

Sampling 5% of the data in order to cut down on the amount of data fed when training to reduce the model training time. To improve accuracy we can increase the sample size.

```
In [9]: data_sample = data.sample(frac=0.05, random_state=42)
    data_sample
```

Out[9]:		review_text	review_score
	2431934	old school!	1
	1250528	Game is very fun. It could use some tweeking a	1
	590126	A short emotionally provocative game that tran	1
	2110494	Freedom fall is a short, simple, and very fun	1
	2527583	I have played the witcher 2 and i can say that	1
	•••		
	3350267	Larian managed to make the best RPG of the 201	1
	833185	You couldn't pick up a guy at the gay bar Male	1
	3873486	What is this game even? Honestly, no one knows	1
	4126649	Seriously, buy this game. With all of the $\operatorname{mod}\nolimits$	1
	4372237	Just wow. The Blackwell games started so we	1

```
In [12]: data_sample.value_counts(['review_score'])
```

224192 rows × 2 columns

```
Out[12]: review_score

1 183903

-1 40289

Name: count, dtype: int64
```

Running a train test split on the data with a test size of 0.2

```
In [13]: # Train-test split
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(data_sample['review_text'], data_sample
```

Gathering a list of stop words in order to remove them during the TFIDF Vectorizer to cleanup the input of meaningless features.

```
In [18]: stop_words = list(text.ENGLISH_STOP_WORDS)
```

Using the TFIDF Vectorizer in order to convert text data into numerical data to train the model. Looking at unigrams to trigrams.

```
In [15]:
    tfidf = TfidfVectorizer(max_features=5000, stop_words=stop_words, ngram_range=(1,3))
    X_train_tfidf = tfidf.fit_transform(X_train)
    X_test_tfidf = tfidf.transform(X_test)
```

Modeling

Dummy Model

We are going to create a scores dictionary to keep track of all the scores of each model to compare later.

```
In [42]: scores = []
```

We create a baseline model with the DummyClassifer to establish a baseline.

```
baseline_model = DummyClassifier(strategy='most_frequent')
baseline_model.fit(X_train_tfidf, y_train)
y_pred_baseline = baseline_model.predict(X_test_tfidf)
print("Baseline Model Performance:")
report = classification_report(y_test, y_pred_baseline)
print(report)
```

Baseline Model Performance:

```
precision
                             recall f1-score
                                                  support
                    0.00
           -1
                               0.00
                                          0.00
                                                     7977
           1
                    0.82
                               1.00
                                          0.90
                                                    36862
                                          0.82
                                                    44839
    accuracy
                               0.50
                                                    44839
   macro avg
                    0.41
                                          0.45
                    0.68
                               0.82
                                          0.74
                                                    44839
weighted avg
```

/opt/miniconda3/envs/mac_tf/lib/python3.11/site-packages/sklearn/metrics/_classification.p y:1509: UndefinedMetricWarning: Precision is ill-defined and being set to 0.0 in labels wi th no predicted samples. Use `zero_division` parameter to control this behavior. _warn_prf(average, modifier, f"{metric.capitalize()} is", len(result)) /opt/miniconda3/envs/mac_tf/lib/python3.11/site-packages/sklearn/metrics/_classification.p

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```
scores.append(['baseline_model', 'precision', precision_score(y_test, y_pred_baseline, av
scores.append(['baseline_model', 'recall', recall_score(y_test, y_pred_baseline, average=
scores
```

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y:1509: UndefinedMetricWarning: Precision is ill-defined and being set to 0.0 in labels wi
th no predicted samples. Use `zero_division` parameter to control this behavior.
 _warn_prf(average, modifier, f"{metric.capitalize()} is", len(result))

As we can see the model is not great at predicting any negative recommendations and is extremely overfit.

First Model

Next, we are going to create our first model using a Decision Tree with a couple of hyperparameters

```
In [20]:
          param grid = {
              'max_depth': [20],
              'min_samples_split': [10],
              'min_samples_leaf': [5]
          grid_search = GridSearchCV(DecisionTreeClassifier(random_state=42), param_grid, cv=5, ver
          grid_search.fit(X_train_tfidf, y_train)
        Fitting 5 folds for each of 1 candidates, totalling 5 fits
        [CV 1/5] END max_depth=20, min_samples_leaf=5, min_samples_split=10;, score=0.843 total ti
        me=
             7.5s
        [CV 2/5] END max_depth=20, min_samples_leaf=5, min_samples_split=10;, score=0.842 total ti
        me=
            7.3s
        [CV 3/5] END max_depth=20, min_samples_leaf=5, min_samples_split=10;, score=0.846 total ti
        me=
             7.6s
        [CV 4/5] END max_depth=20, min_samples_leaf=5, min_samples_split=10;, score=0.843 total ti
        me=
             7.6s
        [CV 5/5] END max_depth=20, min_samples_leaf=5, min_samples_split=10;, score=0.841 total ti
        me=
             7.7s
Out[20]: GridSearchCV(cv=5, estimator=DecisionTreeClassifier(random_state=42),
                      param_grid={'max_depth': [20], 'min_samples_leaf': [5],
                                    'min_samples_split': [10]},
                      verbose=3)
```

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On GitHub, the HTML representation is unable to render, please try loading this page with nbviewer.org.

Grabbing the best combination for the Decision Tree Model from the GridSearch

```
In [21]: best_tree_model = grid_search.best_estimator_
```

And now that we have the best decision tree model we are going to evaluate the model's performance

```
In [46]:
    y_pred_tree = best_tree_model.predict(X_test_tfidf)
    print("Tuned Decision Tree Model Performance:")
    print(classification_report(y_test, y_pred_tree))
```

```
Tuned Decision Tree Model Performance:
                                recall f1-score
                    precision
                                                 support
                                 0.27
                                          0.38
                                                   7977
                -1
                        0.67
                                 0.97
                 1
                        0.86
                                          0.91
                                                  36862
           accuracy
                                          0.85
                                                   44839
                        0.76
                                 0.62
                                          0.65
                                                  44839
          macro avg
                        0.83
                                 0.85
                                          0.82
                                                  44839
       weighted avg
In [47]:
         scores.append(['decision_tree', 'precision', precision_score(y_test, y_pred_tree, average
         scores.append(['decision_tree', 'recall', recall_score(y_test, y_pred_tree, average='macr
         scores
```

As we can see the model here can actually predict negative recommendations however it still can be seen as overfit and way better at predicting positive recommendations than negative ones.

Second Model

The next model I wanted to try is a Random Forest Classifier due to it's strength in handling imbalanced data better than simple Decision Trees and better insights on feature importance.

```
In [19]:
          # Train the Random Forest model
           rf_model = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=100, random_state=42)
           rf_model.fit(X_train_tfidf, y_train)
        Random Forest Model Performance:
                       precision
                                     recall f1-score
                                                         support
                            0.77
                                                            7977
                   -1
                                       0.41
                                                 0.54
                    1
                            0.88
                                       0.97
                                                 0.93
                                                           36862
                                                 0.87
                                                           44839
             accuracy
           macro avg
                            0.83
                                       0.69
                                                 0.73
                                                           44839
                                                           44839
        weighted avg
                            0.86
                                       0.87
                                                 0.86
In [48]:
          # Evaluate the model
          y_pred_rf = rf_model.predict(X_test_tfidf)
          print("Random Forest Model Performance:")
          print(classification_report(y_test, y_pred_rf))
        Random Forest Model Performance:
                       precision
                                     recall f1-score
                                                         support
                   -1
                            0.77
                                       0.41
                                                 0.54
                                                            7977
                    1
                            0.88
                                       0.97
                                                 0.93
                                                           36862
                                                 0.87
                                                           44839
             accuracy
           macro avg
                            0.83
                                       0.69
                                                 0.73
                                                           44839
                            0.86
                                       0.87
                                                 0.86
                                                           44839
        weighted avg
In [49]:
          scores.append(['random_forest', 'precision', precision_score(y_test, y_pred_rf, average='
          scores.append(['random_forest', 'recall', recall_score(y_test, y_pred_rf, average='macro'
          scores
```

Out[49]: [['baseline_model', 'precision', 0.4110484176721158],

```
['baseline_model', 'recall', 0.5],
['decision_tree', 'precision', 0.7632120683261521],
['decision_tree', 'recall', 0.6183076212539242],
['random_forest', 'precision', 0.828494685755017],
['random_forest', 'recall', 0.6933605324820007]]
```

Evaluation

Now we are going to compare the scores of each of the models and determine which one was the most successful and if it successful enough to be deployed.

```
In [50]:
    scores_df = pd.DataFrame(scores, columns=['Model', 'Metric', 'Score'])
    scores_df
```

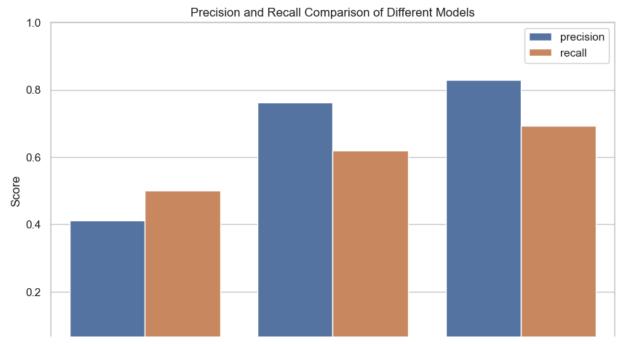
Out[50]:

	Model	Metric	Score
0	baseline_model	precision	0.411048
1	baseline_model	recall	0.500000
2	decision_tree	precision	0.763212
3	decision_tree	recall	0.618308
4	random_forest	precision	0.828495
5	random_forest	recall	0.693361

```
In [53]: # Create a bar plot
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
sns.barplot(x='Model', y='Score', hue='Metric', data=scores_df)

# Add titles and labels
plt.title('Precision and Recall Comparison of Different Models')
plt.xlabel('Model')
plt.ylabel('Score')
plt.ylim(0, 1)

# Show the plot
plt.legend(loc='upper right')
plt.show()
```



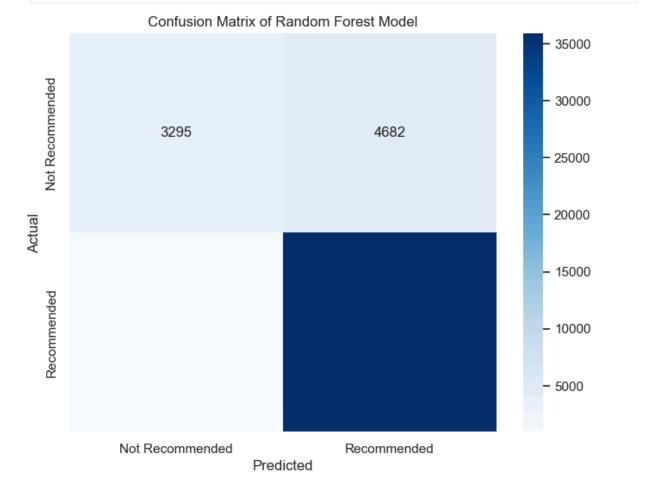


After training the model and retrieving the classification report, we can see that the **Random Forest Classifer** is a clear improvement to the previous two models due to its near 10% increase in precision on negative recommendations and near 20% increase on the recall while still maintaining very high values for the positive recommendations.

Let's take a look at a confusion matrix of the Random Forest Classifier to showcase the precision

```
In [58]:
conf_matrix = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred_rf)

# Plot confusion matrix
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
sns.heatmap(conf_matrix, annot=True, fmt='d', cmap='Blues', xticklabels=['Not Recommended plt.xlabel('Predicted')
plt.ylabel('Actual')
plt.title('Confusion Matrix of Random Forest Model')
plt.show()
```

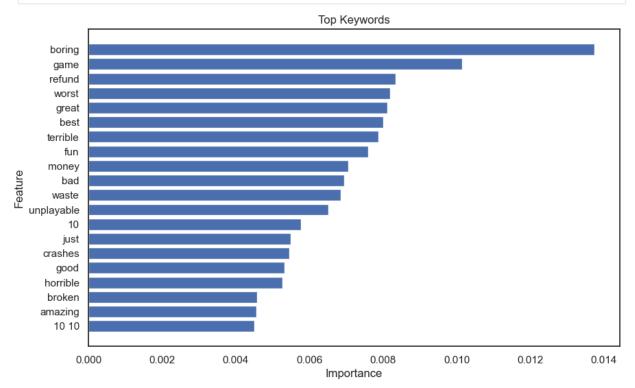


Because the best model was concluded as the random forest we are going to look at the model's feature importances to deduce which words or phrases made the most impact in determining whether or not a review is positive.

```
In [56]: # Feature importance
    feature_names = tfidf.get_feature_names_out()
    importance = rf_model.feature_importances_
    feature_importance = pd.DataFrame({'feature': feature_names, 'importance': importance})
```

```
feature_importance = feature_importance.sort_values(by='importance', ascending=False)

# Plot top keywords
top_features = 20
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
plt.barh(feature_importance['feature'][:top_features], feature_importance['importance'][:
plt.xlabel('Importance')
plt.ylabel('Feature')
plt.title('Top Keywords')
plt.gca().invert_yaxis()
plt.show()
```



We can see that not many phrases were recognized as important features but it's likely due to the small sample of data that was fed through the model. Additionally, we can see arguable stop words also contributing to the importance such as 'just'. This is something to look out for in the future as the model should still be further trained with hyperparameters in effect and more training data being sent through.

Using the random forest model we can feed in a 'custom' review and have the vectorizer transform it for us and sent to the model to predict whether or not the review is positive or not.

```
In [53]:
# Example new review
new_review = ["waste i hated it"]

# Transform the new review
new_review_tfidf = tfidf.transform(new_review)

# Make prediction using the best model (assuming best_model is already defined and traine prediction = rf_model.predict(new_review_tfidf)
print(prediction)

# Interpret the prediction
if prediction[0] == 1:
    print("The model predicts: Recommended")
else:
    print("The model predicts: Not Recommended")

[-1]
The model predicts: Not Recommended
```

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I want to emphasize that the beauty in this project is not necessarily the model predicting yay or nay but in the features that can be identified as important for either direction. Game developers can look at this newly organized data when pursuing the creation of a new game to find what is something that is sought after in games of a specific name or genre.

Although the model was mostly successful in predicting yay or nay, we want to further reduce the false positives that are returned by the model. However, it is worth noting that the current behavior is preferred to underfitting due to the users of this model wanting to further focus on what is positive and good for a game rather than the negative because by doing what is desired you avoid what is undesired.

Next Steps:

The model can always be further improved but the real next steps to be accomplished before deployment is further honing in on the features that contribute to positive reviews and categorizing them for specific